

Thi saa har Gud elsket
Verden, at han gav sin
Søn, den enbaarne, for at
hver den som tror paa
ham, ikke skal fortabes,
men have evigt Liv.

HYR DEN

"JEG ER DEN GODE HYRDE." — Joh. 10, 11.

Den som tror paa
bliver ikke dømt; de
ikke tror, er allerede
fordi han ikke har
paa Guds enbaarne
Navn.

Haugen, Rev. A. K.
mar 42

16de aargang.

Winnipeg, Manitoba, Andet Nr. i Juni, 1940

Nr. 12

I hvem vi ved hans Blod har For-
løsning, Syndernes Forladelse, efter
hans naades Rigdom. Ef. 1, 7.

Af Ludvik Hape.

Blodet har altid veret den løsende
og reddende magt for en Synder.
Like fra de første Offer, Biblen om-
taler, har de fundet Velbehag for
Gud og vei til Frelse. Fra Kains Alter
vilde ingen Røgsøile heve sig op til
Guds Himmel men fra Abels Blod-
bestengte Offer finder den Vei lige
til Gud. Moses var utrustet af Gud
som intet andet dødligt Menneske,
men al hans magt og kunst farmaae-
de dog ikke at faa Isral ut fra den
forherdede Farao. Det var først, Da
Lammets Blod var strøget paa Dør-
stolperne, og det stegte Lam blev
spist, at Faraos magt blev knækket.
Og saaledes er det den dag i dag.

Hvormeget du beder, leser, kjem-
per, angrer og forsager, saa blir der
dog ingen forandring, du føler dig
kun verre, fordi Budet gjør Synden-
levende. Det eneste som kan redde
dig, er Lammets Blod.

Hvorledes kan Lammets Blod red-
de dig og mig? — Det har i Jesus
farligt dig med Gud, rundet for dig
til Syndernes Forladelse; det har
strøget over al din Synd for Gud,
det har aabnet den stengte vei, og du
er salig paa Blodets regning, om du
tror, saa haard saa Verdslig, saa
Gudløs og falsk, som du kjender dig.
Naar du saa tror dette med dit Hjer-
te, saa er du salig — ikke i dig selv,
men i Jesus. Saa tro det i dag, svake
Synder, de er dit Blod ligesaa sik-
kert som nogen andens. Det blev ud-
gyt for dig ogsaa til Syndernes For-
ladelse. Ak Lammets Blod det dyre
bare Blod, der fant jeg Fred, da jeg
for Korset stod. Der er fred far os
alle. Blodet det gjelder verenste Dag.

Jesus ler du mig aa bede,
Jesus, ler du mig og Tro!
Jesus, gjør til strid mig rede,
Jesus, giv mit Hjerte ro!
Og naar jeg i striden trettes,
Segner under Byrden ned,
Lad det da saa meget lettes
Som det tjener til min Fred!

Lad mig altid stille være,
Du taalmodige Guds Lam,
Stille mit i verdens ære,
Stille mit i Spot og Skam!
Saa jeg dig igyerning priser
Mere rik paa kraft en Ord
Og i Kristen vandl viser
At du i mit Hjerte Bor.

N. F.

Herren er god mod dem, som bier
efter ham, mod den Sjæl, som
spørger efer ham.

Dette er just de sikreste kjenne-
merke paa den troendes naade liv,
det Kjende merke, som aldrig kan
dølges lever du i Gud, saa spørger
du daglig efter ham. Der gives mange
andre kjendetegne, paa at vi er
Guds Børn. Aanden lader sig ikke
uden vidnesbyrd, hverken for andre
eller os selv, men de siste og afgjøren-
de af dem alle er denne spørgen efter
Jesus. Livet kan have det store ydre
Trek af den nye Fødsel og det nye
Liv og dog kan dette fattes; du
spørger ikke efter Herren som en
fattig Synder, det skjulte liv er ikke
lenger om Jesus og i Jesus. Og om-
vent kan en troende i det ydre se
ussel og Skrøpelig ut som en rykende
væke, og for Hjertet selv føles intet
Livs tegn, kun kulde og Død; men der
er en spørgen efter Gud, en uop hør-
lig tragten efter Gud, efter din Frel-
se, din Jesus, som foraader det svage
Naade liv; du kan ikke give dig til-
freds du sukker i din Nød, du kla-
ger over din jammer, om ikke over
andet, saa dog over dette, at du ikke
ret kan føle og kjende dine Synder;
du leter og søker efter Jesus, thi din
Sjæl Elsker Ham, din bøn og dit høie-
ste ønske er just at faa tro hans
Naade igjen og vite dig i hans

Favn. Just denne spørgen efter Je-
sus vidner om, at du endnu ikke er
Død eller kommen bart fra hans
Sam fund. Du er maaske ussel og
arm, Synde fuld og elendig, men du er
ikke Død; du er en Vege sam ennu
ryker, og da vil Herren ikke utsluk-
ke Gnisten, men opvarme Hjertet
igjen i sin naade thi Herren er god
imod Dem, som spørger efter Ham.
Dette er min Egen Erfaring og har
optaget det af Hyrderøsten og sen-
der det til vort kjære Kirkeblad Hyr-
den i vaart kjære norske Sprog!

—N. F.

Redaktørskifte.

Efter en trofast tjenestetid paa
seks aar som redaktør av vort kana-
diske kirkeorgan, trekker nu Pastor
H. L. Urness sig tilbake for at vie
ubeskåret tid til sit prestekald.

Ingen hvis hænder er bundet av
mange gjøremaal i utførelsen av en
eller flere menigheters tilsyn vilde
finde det let at vareta ogsaa en re-
daktørstilling ved siden av, likegyl-
dig hvor beskjedne den end maatte
være. At Pastor Urness har klart
dette gjennom en aarrække kan ikke
andet end tjene til hans ros. Vi vil
derfor ved denne andledning faa lov
til at si ham oprigtig tak for ind-
satsen, og ønske ham Guds velsig-
nelse over hans fortsatte liv og gjær-
ning i Herrens vingaard.

Den nyvalgte redaktør vilde helst
av hensyn til sin egen kjære menig-
het i Edmonton ha undslaaet sig fra
at overta nye forpligtelser som i
hans ringe opfatning vil gjøre det
betydelig vanskeligere at utføre
hvad som ubetinget burde utføres i
en bymenighet. Men det er til enhver
tid en alvorlig sak at motsætte sig
kirkens kald, medmindre man skulde
forkaste det grundsyn at det er Her-
ren selv som gjennom sine valgte tje-
nere kalder arbeiderne ut i sin vin-
gaard.

Takket være Pastor Vinges og
Pastor Aandals beredvillige løfter om
bistand, vil dette og de to neste
numre av Hyrden bli utsendt under
deres opsyn. Redaktøren er meget
taknemlig for dette, da han nemlig
derved vil være istand til at tilbringe
sin ferie i staterne sammen med sin
familie.

Ragnarok

I det gamle sagn kjemper ved ti-
dens ende baade guder og mennesker
med hverandre indtil alle er døde.

Mens vi sitter i fred og ro i vore
hus og hjem som om intet særlig var
paa færde, foregaar der over i Euro-
pa en kamp paa liv og død som har
meget tilfælles med det dystre sagn.
Den menneskelige aandts opfindsom-
het synes at være særlig frugtbar
paa ødelæggelsers og grusomhetens
omraade. Naar de onde magter slip-
per løs, blir menneskene selv engle
av djævelskap. Det er bare Gud og
Gud alene som ved sin uendelige naa-
de og miskundhet i Kristus Jesus
kan bevare en fattig sjæl fra at syn-
ke ned i den bundløse avgrund.

Vi vil ikke befatte os med at pro-
fetere. Men at redselstilstanden i
Europa skulde være os uved kommen-
de strider mot al sund fornuft. Det
er neppe formeget at si at den ganske
verden vandrer idag gjennom døds-
skyggens dal. Hvor eller hvad er ut-
gangen? Ja det maa vi overlate i Her-
rens haand. Men maa vi alle, hver
især, finde den samme trøst som sal-
misten: Jeg frygter ikke for andt,
ti du er med mig. Din kjep og din
stav de trøster mig.

Herrens hyrdestav er Guds ord.
Brødre og søster i Herren! La os for
Jesu skyld holde trofast sammen i
ordets betraktelse og forkyndelse saa
at "den dag" ikke maa komme ufor-
varende over nogen av os!

CANADA DISTRICT

The district meeting of the Nor-
wegian Lutheran Church of Canada
was held in Central Lutheran Church,
Minneapolis, Minn., June 8, 1940. 22
pastors and 4 delegates were present.

The meeting was called to order
by District President, Dr. Iver Iver-
sen.

Rev. K. O. Kandal, District Vice-
President, opened with prayer.

Motion made, seconded and carried
that we convene for our business
meeting now rather than at a later
hour.

Elections

Due to short time the district pro-
ceeded to elections:

Lay Member on Church Council —
Mr. A. G. Vinge, Torquay, Sask., re-
elected for a term of 3 years.

**Alternate Lay Member on Church
Council:** Mr. Ole Berg, Claresholm,
Alta., re-elected for a term of 3 years.

Financial Secretary — Rev. I.
Saugen, Calgary, Alta., re-elected for
a term of 1 year.

Board of Trustees: Rev. H. L.
Urness and Mr. A. J. Fløtre, Bulyea
were nominated for re-election.

Moved, seconded, and carried that
the secretary cast the unanimous
ballot for the two nominees.

The secretary cast the unanimous
ballot for Rev. H. L. Urness and Mr.
A. J. Fløtre as members of the Board
of Trustees, each for a term of three
years.

Rev. H. L. Urness and Mr. A. J.
Fløtre were declared elected members
of the Board of Trustees for a term
of 3 years.

Board of Education — Rev. K.
Bergsagel, Kyle, Sask., re-elected for
3 years.

**Board of Management of Outlook
College** — Rev. J. T. Dahle, re-elected
for 3 years.

**Member on Board for Saskatche-
wan Bible School** — Rev. H. F. John-
son nominated and elected.

Moved, seconded, and carried that
Rev. P. Lerseth fill Rev. K. O. Kan-
dal's place on the Bible School Board.

Home Mission Committee:

Rev. P. Lerseth, Birch Hills, Sask.,
nominated for re-election and duly
elected for 3 years.

Mr. Peter Frostad, Outlook, Sask.,
nominated and elected for 3 years.

Board of Charities:

Rev. C. S. Lystig re-elected for 3
years.

Moved that we hear the Hyrden
Report.

Rev. H. L. Urness gave his report,
which included a letter from Mr. Jo-
sef Haave.

A discussion arose in regard to
Pastor Urness' salary.

Moved that this matter be referred
to the Mission Board.

This motion was lost.

Moved, seconded and carried that
the District approve of the action of
the Home Mission Committee in re-
gard to Rev. Urness' salary as mis-
sion pastor and Editor for Hyrden.

Editor for Hyrden: Rev. H. L. Ur-
ness nominated. Rev. C. S. Lystig
nominated. Vote by ballot: Result —
Rev. Lystig 18; Rev. Urness 4.

Rev. Lystig elected for one year.

Business Manager for Hyrden:
Student pastor Josef Haave re-
elected for one year.

**Member of Home Mission Council
of the American Lutheran Con-
ference:** Moved, seconded and car-
ried that we discontinue this office.

The following bill, "Religion in
Public Schools" read by Dr. Iversen,
was accepted in its entirety..

RELIGION IN THE SCHOOLS

Recommendations approved by the
Inter-Church Committee, represent-
ing the Baptist, Church of England,
Lutheran, Presbyterian and United

Churches.

I. Religious Exercises

That Section 197 (2) of the School
Act be replaced with the following
paragraphs as in the Ontario Act) —

1. Every Public School shall be
opened with the reading of the
Scripture, and prayer, and the sing-
ing of a hymn, and shall be closed
with the Lord's Prayer or the Prayer
authorized by the Department; hut
no pupil shall be required to take
part in any religious exercises ob-
jected to by his parent or guardian.

2. When a teacher claims to have
conscientious scruples in regard to
opening or closing school as herein
prescribed, he shall notify the Board
to that effect in writing; and it shall
then be the duty of the Board to
make such provisions as it may deem
expedient for the carrying out of the
requirements.

3. The Scriptures shall be read
daily and systematically. The parts
to be read shall be taken from the
lists of selections approved by the
Department for that purpose.

4. The Hymns and Prayers used in
such religious exercises shall be se-
lected from the Manual approved for
such purpose by the Department.

Section 197 of the School Act reads
as follows:

"(1) No religious instruction ex-
cept as hereinafter provided shall be
permitted in the school of any dis-
trict from the opening of the school
until one-half hour previous to its
closing in the afternoon, after which
time any such instruction permitted
or desired by the board may be given.

"(2) It shall, however, per-
missible for the board of any district
to direct that the school be opened
by the recitation of the Lord's
Prayer."

II. Religious Instruction

That section 197 (1) and Section
206 (2) be so amended as to clearly
permtt the giving of Religious in-
struction by a resident minister as
provided in the Acts of Ontario and
Manitoba.

Note: Section 197 above and sec-
tion 206 (2) is as follows:-

"Any person not qualified under
this section who conducts a school or
acts as teacher shall be guilty of an
offence and liable on summary con-
viction to a penalty not exceeding
\$50, and in default to imprisonment
for a term not exceeding one month:

"Provided, however, that no pro-
secution shall be instituted under this
section except by order of the
minister."

Moved, seconded, and carried that
we file the financial report.

Dr. Iversen discussed several phases
of Church work, membership, budget,
Centennial, Home Mission Aid, evan-
gelist, the Canadian Lutheran Semi-
nary, our Sunday school books, and
the Lutheran Voice.

Assistant Editor of Lutheran Voice:

Rev. J. T. Dahle re-elected for one
year.

Motion made, seconded, and car-
ried that we accept and welcome the
following workers in our midst: Pas-
tors Eugene V. Stime, Hans Nelson,
T. Nordmark, O. E. Skavlan, Hjalmar
Holland, J. Selmer Stolee, and Vernon
Jensen.

Moved, seconded, and carried that
Rev. M. Aandal confer with Dr. Aas-
gaard and the Board of Trustees
whether our synod would be willing
to approve of and subsidize services
under the Canadian Lutheran Com-
mission for our Lutheran soldiers
while in Canadian Camps.

Moved, seconded and carried that
we express a vote of thanks to Rev.
Urness as retiring Editor of Hyrden.

Motion to adjourn.

Lord's Prayer in unison.

—A. M. Vinge, Secretary.

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May is a very low month for subscriptions coming in. Only seven dollars has come in so far. At the same time paying out nearly \$45 for printing the two issues every month soon brings the balance down.

There are yet 120 about who have not renewed from 1939. I have kept them on the list trying to appeal to them in every way.

I certainly enjoy Hyrden myself and read it from page to page. Find it hard to understand why some of our people haven't it and many others who fail to renew.

Hope to reach the 1300 mark this summer. The higher we get over the 1000 mark the paper will pay its way as each 100 over the 1000 costs only 45c. to print each issue.

Have had quite a few new subscriptions from Alberta this spring. There should be possibility for many subscribers out there.

Yours in His service,

— Josef B. Haave.

The Need of Religious Instruction

Yet a little while is the light among you. Walk while ye have the light that darkness overtake you not, and he that walketh in the darkness knoweth not whither he goeth. While ye have the light, believe on the light, that ye may become the sons of light, Joh. 12:35, 36. Where Jesus is excluded, darkness prevails.

In many of the countries across the sea the darkness has already come. — They have not any longer the freedom to hear, learn, or teach of Jesus and His love.

In our land we still have this liberty. Are we using the opportunities? Do we teach our children Gods word? It is the only thing that will make them wise unto salvation 1 Tim. 3:15 — Our parents gave us this heritage. Let us pass it on!

How about your neighbors' children? Are they learning to know the will of God? I am my brothers keeper.

Take time to teach your children at home. Be willing to teach a Sunday School class. Be willing to contribute — make sacrifices if need be, that vacation Bible School be held in your community this summer.

Maybe God wants you to bring this subject to the people's attention in your neighborhood. Pray about it!

"Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap" Gal. 6:7. Let us sow Gods word. Let us "be instant in season and out of season." II Tim. 4:2. Let us labor—"for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

Gal. 6:9. Let us work while it is day — "night cometh (also to Canada) when no man can work," Joh. 9:4.

Only one life—'Twill soon be past, Only what's done for Christ will last!

H. M. S. T.

"For Little Folks" by Pastor D. Skagen is a small booklet that is very helpful to mothers in teaching their little children about God, conscience, Jesus atonement etc. This booklet

may be had without cost, by writing Book Mission, Augsburg Publ. House, Minneapolis, Minn.

Mrs. Amund Tveit,
Dist. Cradle Roll Sec.

Bethany Sunset Home

The following is an extract of a report by the Superintendent, Deaconess Marie Weiks, addressed to the Canada District meeting held at Minneapolis, June 8th, 1940.

On behalf of the Bethany Home family I wish to extend my sincere thanks to the Norwegian Lutheran Church of America, to the District of Canada, to the Women's Missionary Federation, the Pastors, Ladies Aids, L. D. R., and individual friends of the Home for the fine support and encouragement by gifts and prayers on behalf of this much needed work among the aged.

At the District Convention in Edmonton last year, the recommendation was adopted by the W. M. F. to encourage the Ladies Aid and other friends interested to raise money for a building fund.

The officers of the W.M.F. of the Camrose Circuit have sent out letters to all the pastors and Ladies Aids concerning this project.

Nothing noteworthy has resulted as yet, but we still hope that the people will respond to the cause. We have at present \$810.00 on savings account for the building fund.

I have heard the remarks made that our church institutions are not really doing any charity work. People have to pay, and pay well in order to get in.

Here permit me to quote a few facts. In 1939 we had six old people taken care of free of charge. Nine were paying \$15.00 per month, and two \$5.00 per month. With the exception of one who for a short time paid \$30.00 per month, none of the others paid more than \$20.00.

Of the twenty old people at present at the Home, ten pay \$20.00 per month, four pay \$15.00, one pays \$7.50, and three pay nothing.

Any one who knows a little about what it costs to maintain an institution, surely realizes that such figures prove that the Church is doing charity work, and that we consequently are to a large extent dependent upon the good will and support granted us by friends of the Home.

(Adopted for The Shepherd by C. S. Lystig).

Fra Hazlet, Sask.

Det tyndes i Pionerernes rekke, atter er en av disse vandret bort. Ole Sannes, døde paa Cabri Hospital Tirsdag den 28 Mai, og blev stedt til hvile paa Bethania kirkegaard den 30 Mai fulgt til graven av sine nærmest paarørende og en talrig vennekare.

Mrs. Sannes var født i nærheten av Røraas i 1859 og utvandret til Amerika i aaret 1884, blev gift samme aar med Anders Guldhal, som omkom i den store skog brand ved Sandstone Minnesota i 1894, var gift igjen med Ole Sannes, ogsaa fra Røraas, i 1896. De kom til Canada Vaaren 1911, hvor de tok op Homestead ca. 27 mil nord fra Gull Lake.

Hun efterlader sig 3 sønner, Nils fra første egteskab og Oscar og Meyer fra sit andet. En søn av det første egteskab døde av flu Høsten 1918. Hendes mand Ole Sannes døde i Mars 1926.

Mrs. Sannes vil bli savnet av os alle, som lerte hende at kjende, hun hadde et venligt ord og et lyst smil tilalle. Ved sit eigode hjertelag og gjest frihet vandt hun mange venner, hun tok en ivrig del Kirke og Kvindeforenings arbeidet. Hendes haand strikkede vatter stod i høi kurs og blev altid saa godt betalt paa Kvindeforenings salget.

Hun hvilte nu ved siden av sin mand og sin søn Hjalmer paa Bethania Kirkegaard til opstandelsens morgen.

Gud signe hendes minde:

— P. Haukeness.

Fra Kandahar, Sask.

Da jeg i den senere tid har holdt Hyrden og jeg igjennem dens spalter finder meget som er godt og indholds rigt saa tenkte jeg og sende et lidet Brev til Hyrden da vi som

Menigheds Folk og Kristne altid skulde yde vaar sjerv og igjennem Bladet realisere Vore Tanker og anskuelser om dette eller hint. Ved at læse Hyrden for 2d No i April saa finder jeg en Artikel skreven av J. O. Reitan om Forkyndelsen og jeg blev meget interesseret ved at læse den saadan god og Kraftig og Sandferdig Artikel. Der er ikke mange av vore Kirkefolk eller Prester som vover at skrive en saadan Artikel. Det er dog en glæde at se at der endnu findes Mand som virker i den samme Aand som Hans Nilsen Hauge.

Naar vi betænker at der paa mange steder her i var egen Provins Sask. har været forkyndelse snart i 30 aar og kanske ikke en eneste sjel har kommen til sand omvendelse. Det er en ganske frist historie men i de fleste tilfælder dog alt for sand, og som der staar Dersom Synden altid skal dækkes over med humor, jokes, skroner, gamle fabler og legender stort skraal og veldige geberder istedet for at nævnes med de rette navn og overdækkes med Kristi Blod og da ved vi hvor det bærer hen hvor en saadan forkyndelse fores og det er desverre paa mange steder omkring i vore menigheder.

Vi lever i en meget betænkelig tid. Jeg skulde næsten tro at denne tid burde Mane Menneskene til mere alvor. Men slovhed og Ligegyldighed har faat en saadan Magt over menneske sindet saa det ser mange gange ud som haaplost. Hvad er denne Krig som nu fores andet en straffedom over menneske slægten derfor saa gjelder det nu mere en nogensende at folket vaakner op og vender sig til Herren. Men vi trenger sandrue og kraftige Herrens tjenere av baa-de prester og læg folk som ikke lader sig skremme av menneske frygt men med aand og liv forkynder sanhedens Ord og Evangelium som de var forkyndit før i tiden igjennem de gamle profeter og apostler.

Venlig hilsen

—Ole O. Brekke,

Kandahar, Sask., box 3.

Sydre Sask. Indremissionsforening skal have sin aarlige bibeluge i Torquay begyndende den 30te juni og afslutter søndag den 7de juli. Pastor Klyve fra Ferguson Falls, Minnesota og Heygestad fra Frontier, Sask., m. f. vil udlægge det livgivende Guds ord for os. Bed for talerne og mødet og kom i flok og følg.

John B. Hansen, sekretær.

COLOMBIA CALLS

A special announcement to all friends of the Colombia Evangelical Lutheran Mission of South America.

There is a crying need for the gospel in Colombia, if its people are to be loosed from the fetters of superstition and sin. We believe and have experienced that "the gospel of Christ is a power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth," and that it is the only source of light for those in darkness, and of release to those in captivity of sin and Satan. The tidings of salvation are being brought to the hungry souls of Colombia by our Lutheran mission there; many are beginning to turn from the darkness of superstition to radiant light of the Cross. "But the harvest is great and the laborers are few, pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into His harvest." It is our privilege and duty to stand solidly behind those who have gone forth, bearing them up on the strong arms of prayer, while we give as the Lord prospers us, of our substance, to meet their physical needs.

WE ALL CAN HELP.

As this is an intersynodal Mission it has found a big place in the hearts of many of our Lutheran Christians in the various synods, and we pray that as it becomes better known it will win a great many more faithful friends.

Pastor J. O. Gisselquist, president of the Mission board, hopes to organize a branch of the work here in Canada, which could be given full authority, under God, to prepare and send forth workers, as well as receive and send money directly to the field. He invites us all to Camrose on July the 15th, 1940, immediately following the Camrose Week, for the purpose of organizing such a branch

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work.

Friends, the success of this proposed organization rests with us individually, upon our obedience to the guidance of the Holy Spirit. There are so many things that crave our attention and efforts in this time of crisis, but we cannot afford to neglect the gospel. It is the only remedy for the distress and chaos of the world. So let us advertise this meeting as widely as possible, and come, having prayed the matter through, that all may be done under the safe direction of the Spirit.

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Doth his successive journeys run.

Arnfeld Mock,

Box 111, Camrose, Alta.

Midale, Sask.

Funeral services for the late Mr. Olaf Grindstad, were held in the Lac Qui Parle Lutheran Church, Rev. A. K. Haugen officiating. A short service was held at his home after which the procession proceeded to the church. The sermon was taken from a portion of the 90th Psalm. Two special musical numbers were given, the choir singing "Nearer my God to thee" and Steve Pearson of Torquay, sang "For you I am praying." The pallbearers were: L. Husby, L. Tiller, H. Shelstad, O. Pederson, L. Johnson and T. Lee.

Interment was at the Lac Qui Parle Cemetery.

Olaf Grindstad was born March 20th 1866 and died May 14, 1940, at the age of 74. He was born at Hallan Nedre Stordalen, Norway. He immigrated to America in 1884. He settled in Qui Parle county, Minn., and while there was united in marriage to Rognhild Asplund.

They moved to Canada, and home-steaded near Midale where they have resided ever since.

He leaves to mourn his loss, his wife and seven children, one daughter Mary at Farquay; two sons Hawkin and Olaf, at home; Mrs. Fred Fischer at M. and S. Mines, Biefait; Mrs. Paul Barker at Midale; Ruth and Julia at home; also two step children, Mrs. Carl Manson at Crosby, N. D., and Odin Asplund at Franklin, Calif. One grand child, one sister, Mrs. Dahl, Appleton, Minn., and two sisters in Chicago.

When all seems dark and dreary,
And my soul is burdened with care,
I take them all to Jesus
Which He has promised to bear.

Down on my knees I pray to Him,
And then within my heart
I feel that He has heard me
And always does His part.

My heart is filled with joy and peace
Which only He can do,
And if you will only let Him
He will do the same for you.

My friends, will you not hear Him?
For soon it will be too late;
How sad to part from your loved ones

When they pass through the Golden Gate.

Oh do please heed my warning
And before this day is gone,
Just pray for God's forgiveness
And faith to carry on.

Then believe that He has answered,
And in your heart rejoice
That you have found the Saviour,
Who will always hear your voice.

If you ever think you're slipping,
Just go to God in prayer;
And you will find a Friend that's true

Until we meet up There.

—Mrs. R. J. Trodden.

Edmonton Circuit Meeting

The Edmonton Circuit met in Sharon Church, south of Irma, in J. B. Stolee's charge May 25—26. The text for the convention was Rev. 3:14-22, and the general theme, "Facing Christ with Lukewarm Hearts." The

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have eternal life.

The SHEPHERD

I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD. John 10, 11.

He that believeth on him is not judged; he that believeth not hath been judged already, because he hath not believed on the name of the only begotten Son of God.

Winnipeg, Manitoba, Second Nr. in June, 1940

HISTORY OF VANG LADIES AID AND CHURCH WORK.

When writing a history of our Ladies Aid and church work it will be impossible to do justice to all the faithful workers through the years, especially to the early settlers.

Coming here, many on a borrowed ticket, no home, little or no money, the brave pioneers felt the need of a place to worship. From the earliest time they sang, "Gods word is our great heritage." (Guds ord det er vort arvegods.) It is with thankful hearts that we, the generation of today, try to gather some of their hardships and experiences, but also results and blessings to all the generations, from a few of the oldest still living among us.

The Vang Congregation was organized at the home of Mrs. Marit Jevne, now the Kvien home, by the Rev. Ellestad on the 18 of May 1899. The following members joined the congregation: T. B. Jevne, Mr. Weflen, Eric Skjel Sr, Ole Kjorlien, T. T. Jevne, Thomas Dahl, Ole Rogn, Thomas K. Jevne and Iver Kjos. Mrs. Ole Kjorlien and T. T. Jevne are still members and living among us.

At this meeting Oliver Kjerlien was baptized, the first in the Vang Congregation. The first meetings were at the homes and the school houses.

The ladies, in their humble ways, knew they might be of some help, talked of starting a ladies aid. On the 29th of April 1900 they decided to meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dahl, now the Oscar Nelson home. Rev. Wick the pastor at that time, was also present.

The first officers elected were: Mrs. Marit Jevne, President; Mrs. Ole Kjorlien, Vice-President; Mrs. Thomas Dahl, Secretary Treasurer.

Six others joined, Mrs. Hougstol, Mrs. John Sehlin, Mrs. Eric Skjel Sr., Mrs. Ackermann, Miss Ingeborg Jevne and Miss Emma Weilen.

We still have two of the original members in our aid, namely Mrs. John Sehlin and Mrs. Ole Kjorlien. The first collection was 65c. Annie Jevne, not yet confirmed, was also at that meeting. She made nine blocks for the first log cabin quilt. In the fall of the same year, at the home of T. R. Jevne, Even, Thorwald and Alfred Jevne, Oscar Kjos, Rosie Skjel, Marie Berg and Annie Jevne were confirmed. Annie and a few others then became members of the Ladies Aid.

From 1901 until 1904, when they had their first sale, Mrs. John Sehlin was president of the Aid. Up to 1910 the following were presidents, Mrs. T. Roble, Mrs. Eric Kjos, Mrs. T. T. Jevne, Mrs. Jenny Jevne has also been the organist for more than twenty years, and was the first choir leader. Mrs. Ethel Skjel is now the organist, and Mr. Carl Jevne the

following sub-topics were used: I. "Christ Looking at the Lukewarm hearts," by Rev. L. M. Hanson. II: "Christ Counseling" by Rev. J. B. Stolee; III: Christ Promising" by Rev. A. M. Vinge. At the Communion service Sunday forenoon Rev. Hanson gave the confessional address. The service Sunday afternoon was conducted by the Camrose College Quartette with Prof. George Moi as the speaker. Student pastor, Mr. John Precht was also present and took part in the program. Opportunities were given for testimonies when many took part. The Sharon choir sang at several of the sessions.

Sunday, June the ninth, was a festive day for the Golden Valley Congregation of the Viking parish. At the morning service there were 3 infant baptisms, 4 adult baptisms, 2 adults were confirmed and several were received by transfer. A total of 31 souls joined the congregation.

—J. B. Stolee.

choir leader.

In the years 1902 and 1903 many new settlers moved into the district, and to get a church in their midst seemed just as important as their own homes.

T. T. Jevne donated a site for a church and cemetery; and in the spring of 1905 with \$187.50 the work began, with Mr. Eric Skjel Sr. as the head carpenter. Material and help were donated by all the members, also stores and individuals in Wetaskiwin and Millet gave a helping hand.

The Ladies Aid supplied windows and other articles that had to be bought with cash. In this connection it may be mentioned that two of the Aid members Ingeborg and Annie Jevne brought lunch for the workers, and they had the honor of driving the first two nails in the Vang Church.

Rev. Satre, at this time pastor, took an active part in the work. He also made the pulpit. Though unfinished, with only planks to sit on, all were thankful to have a church in the community. This church is believed to be the oldest Norwegian Lutheran church west of Winnipeg.

An organization called the Busy Bee, similar to the L.D.R. of today, donated the bell. In passing it may be mentioned the Lutheran Daughters of Reformation was organized at the Lerohl home in April 1938, with Miss Evelyn Johnson as the President.

The painting made by Kristoffer Bakken and the organ bought from Rev. Satre, were two of the few things saved when our church burned down May 27, 1931.

In the infancy of the ladies Aid, a table was set and wild game, which was plentiful, was served quite frequently. After more settlers came and joined, refreshments were passed to where they were seated. Devotion and business was conducted in the Norwegian language up until 1933.

At the present time only the English is used in the Aid, but every third service in our church is in Norwegian.

Parochial school was held a whole month in the summer time, even before 1910 and also in this effort the Ladies Aid gave assistance.

The first Sunday School started in 1912, with the following teachers, Mr. C. Moen and J. Hope in the western part of the district, and Mrs. J. Nelson in the eastern.

The first church wedding was conducted by Rev. Kjos in 1908 when Marit Jevne and Ole Kvale were married. The last couple married in the old church was Ida Anderson and Harold Gullekson.

The first to be laid to rest in the cemetery was the first president of our Aid, Mrs. Marit Jevne Quail. The last funeral held from the old church was Mrs. Eric Kjos.

To get around in the early days was not an easy task. Between J. Sehlin and T. T. Jevne and many other places, the Indian custom of marking the trees was used, so they should not get lost. Some travelled on foot, wading miles around sloughs and on trails in the woods. With long dresses and wide hats, the fashion of that day, which was very impractical for their mode of travel. Riding was common. Some came in boats, others came in lumberwagons. Hay was put in the bottom of the box and the children piled in with quilts over them. One family drove an ox and a horse.

The first year, when Mrs. Jevne was president, the Aid should meet at Mrs. Ackermans on the other side of the lake. Her son Thomas was to take them across in the sleigh. Rev. Wick and Mrs. Sehlin were sitting on a loose board in the back. Climbing the steep hill on the other side, Mrs. Sehlin felt sorry for the horses and jumped out. Rev. Wick went head first into the snow. None were hurt, and with a good laugh the two

climbed the rest of the hill.

Mosquitoes were a real pest to man and beast. At one Aid a kettle of smudge was put in the middle of the floor. Despite these handicaps the Aid grew.

Ten acres of land across the road from the church were purchased, and the ladies helped to pay for same. Like all the land around here, timber and brush had to be grubbed and cleared before cultivation, and again the congregation and Ladies Aid were ready.

One bright spring morning they gathered with horses, stumppuller, log chains and axes, grub hoes and whatever was needed for a good work day. Rev. Fostvedt just as early as the rest, brought his tools and came along, being as enthusiastic worker as any. The women piled and burned bush and served the meals. When the sun set, most of 7 acres could be broken. The following year the congregation got a nice crop to help along with the expenses. This piece of land has been a great help through the years. The three remaining acres is a nice grove. Here a small summer kitchen was built material supplied by the Aid. Tables and benches were put up among the trees; here the Ladies Aid held their picnics and sales of articles that were made, some from cloth bought by the Aid, and some donated. At these picnics, and also many other church doings, the Crooked Lake Band led by Mr. Carl Jevne was in attendance, much appreciated by all. T. B. Jevne, our auctioneer until this day may celebrate the 25 anniversary any time. Thank you Tom, for faithful service.

On the 16th of July 1916, our church was dedicated. Rev. Dahl officiating. There was a two day circuit meeting at the same time and many pastors took part. This time our church has become selfsupporting. Before that we received some help from the Mission.

The country got more settled, and many faithful workers joined as the years went by.

About 1920 several families from southern Alberta moved in, all joined the Aid and congregation and have given great help to both. In 1922 the ladies got the vote in the congregation.

Many of the brave early pioneers, among them Rev. Kjos, pastor before 1910, are resting over on the cemetery.

Rev. Nødtvedt served this congregation for a short while in its infancy, also Rev. Sorhus assisted in a vacancy in 1906. Rev. J. Fostvedt was the pastor for a period of ten years, died and was buried in Wetaskiwin, where also his brother Carl was laid to rest.

Since then the following pastors have ministered unto both the congregation and Aid: Reverends Lee, Borlaug, Shilleaus, Lunde, Asper, Osrem and our present pastor is Rev. K. O. Kandal.

From the earliest days the Aid has helped with mission work and minister salary. Since 1934 the Aid has paid \$100.00 a year to minister salary also given systematically to missions through the W. M. F. namely mission boxes, thank offering and cradle roll. Many of the fourth generation are now on the cradle roll charter in our church. Direct donation is also given to old peoples home, Seamens mission, etc.

The first circuit in Alberta was organized in September 1906 at the home of Mr. T. T. Jevne. Rev. Sorhus president, Rev. Egedal Sec., Rev. Holm and Rev. Nødtvedt were present. It was called the Alberta Circuit, and is now divided in three, namely: Camrose Edmonton and Calgary Circuits.

Since that time several circuits Meetings have been held at Vang. One on the 25 anniversary with 10 Pastors attending. Congregation and Ladies Aid always seem to go hand

in hand. Again in the spring of 1931. we should entertain a circuit meeting. Two or three boys took the job of washing ceiling and walls. The Aid paying \$10.00 for the work. When they were finished we all met to have a clean upday, both in the church and on the graves. Varnishing, putting in new window panes, scrubbing and dusting. Work about completed, we went out in the shade to have a lunch. It was then late afternoon. A lot of dry grass was all around the church and graves, many men were present and also some water so they wanted to burn the grass. Some of us went in to put everything in place. We had barely begun when smoke came in from every crack. Running out to see what had happened, no fire could be seen anywhere. A board was loosened in the wall and there was fire under the whole church. Little could be saved. In half an hour our dear old church was only smoking ruins. The circuit meeting was held at the community hall.

With the help of insurance, some donation work and also help from the Ladies Aid, in six months a new church was erected now on the 10 acres, with full basement, complete with furnace, cookstoves, tables and dishes, here all Aid sales and dinners are held. The new church was built without a steeple: feeling dissatisfied with this, a thoughtful group along the range line and west, also members of the Aid, started a steeple Club and began to work among themselves to raise funds. Cash donations were gathered among congregation and others, and a steeple was built.

T. T. Jevne donated a new bell, which is now calling young and old to the house of God. A Communion set was given in memory of loved ones by relatives and the Ladies Aid. The Piano is a gift from the Young Peoples Society.

On the 30 of July 1932 our new church was dedicated by Rev. Akre, Pres. of the Canada district.

Margaret Fremstad and Alex Olsen were the first couple married in the new church. Rev. Asper officiating. Arne Morris Nordlie was the first baby baptized, and his sister Kjersten Nordlie was the first one to be buried from the new church.

The 8 of July 1936 a personage was purchased jointly by the Bethel and Vang congregations, the same is located in Wetaskiwin.

In 1935 the Ladies Aid celebrated their 35 anniversary with a program and lunch. Several pictures from that occasion may be found in our picture album.

The five oldest members of our Aid are Mrs. C. Moem, Mrs. J. Hope, Mrs. J. Sehlin, Mrs. O. Kjorlien and Mrs. J. J. Anderson, Mrs. Moen being the eldest, at the age of 82 years in the fall. All five are still able to be along occasionally, and are keenly interested in the work.

In these 40 years the membership of the Aid has increased from nine to twenty-seven, and collections from 65c. to an average of \$4.00 to \$5.00.

The present officers are: Mrs. Clara Heggerud, President; Mrs. Lilly Jorgensen, Vice-President; Mrs. Gena Nilsson, Secretary; Mrs. Marie Jevne, Treasurer.

At the funeral of the late Bert Heggerud it was truthfully said, that one of the pillars of the Vang congregation had been taken away. May we also be faithful in the Lords service and continue His work.

Historians for 1940:

Borghild Kvien,
Laura Sanden.

Intet er mere sjelden end et menneske som er en god husholder over sin tid.

Naar man taler om sig selv, kan man ikke tidlig nok holde op.

Det halve med fred er bedre end det hele med ufred.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY FEDERATION

MRS. I. O. THVEDT, Editor — LANGHAM, SASK.

The Spring meeting of the joint L.D.K. and W.M.F. met in Rev. P. Lerseths call, Birch Hills, May 18th.

The Pastors of the circuit contributed to the program, and many young people asserted. Mrs. Iver Iversen wife of the District President Dr. Iversen, gave a message on Mission work. Miss Olga Gutterman on furlough from Africa showed pictures of the Mission fields in Zula-land.

Elected of officers resulted in the following: President: Mrs. P. Lerseth; Vice Pres.: Miss Alfeld Haave; Secretary: Mrs. A. Russell; Treasurer: Mrs. N. Dahl; Mission Box Secty.: Mrs. S. Swenson; Home offering: Mrs. P. Grambo; In Memoriam: Mrs. Luthran; Cradle Roll: Mrs. E. Bergum; Literature and Christian Nurture: Mrs. T. Klev; Box Work Sec.: Mrs. A. H. Haugen; Historian: Mrs. H. V. Grinlid; Deaconess: Miss E. Rokke.

Offering \$12.53.

May God bless the W.M.F. and the L.D.K.

Hannah Haugen, sec.

OLIVE HODNEFIELD OF FANCHENG

(Conclusion.)

Somehow I managed to attend a country school. From there I went to Clear Lake high school, then to Decorah Normal school, and finally to Iowa State Normal at Cedar Falls. During my hard struggling school days, some of my girl friends would say to me, "My, it must be nice for you who can go to school. We have to stay home and work." They little knew what it cost me.

Although I had been brought up under Christian influence, and was taking an active part in church work I grew more and more cold in my religious life. In 1890 a revival swept over Nazareth congregation in Harden county. The first week of the revival I was silent, almost hard. Mrs. Rorem, mother of the pioneer missionary, Mrs. H. N. Ronning, took me aside. The following evening I gave my heart to God.

That same year while teaching public school in Iowa the missionaries, Netland and Nestegaard, came to Story City to speak on mission work in China. I started out with two of my pupils to go to Story City. We had not gone far before I clearly heard a voice say, "Some day you, too, will go to China." I looked around to see who was speaking, but as I saw no one, I realized it was God's voice. From that hour the call to become a missionary grew stronger, until in 1892 I received a call to go to China.

Christmas Eve of that same year found Miss Oline Hermanson, later Mrs. Netland, and myself, on board the steamer that on January 17 landed us in Shanghai.

Arriving in Hankow I went to live in the mission home, where I spent one year studying the Chinese language. During that year Nelson, Netland, and Ronning made trips up the Han River to Fancheng, preparing to open a mission station there.

In the spring of 1894 a party of seven of us boarded a native houseboat and started up river to Fancheng. It was not a steamboat nor one that went just as fast; no, the vessel was "pulled" up stream by eleven men, and it took us a whole month to cover the distance. How we rejoiced when finally we reached Fancheng! Dr. Sjoquist who was with us called out all at once, "Look over there! Our friends the Matsons are standing on the river bank waving us a welcome." Before long we shook hands with the Matsons of the Swedish Covenant Mission, who took us to their home and served us a good meal. After that we went to the newly repaired Chinese house that was to be our home until a new missionary residence could be built and made ready. Did we grumble because we had to live in a Chinese house? No, we simply jumped up and down for sheer joy, for we were so happy to have reached the inland of China, and to be in the place where we be-

lieved God had work for us.

We women soon began to do house-to-house visiting. In some places we were well received, but in many other places the people closed their doors to us, for they believed the rumors spread abroad, saying that we took the hearts and eyes out of little children and used them to make our medicine.

After some time a chapel room was put into order near the gate of the mission station. That first meeting was a very excited one. The people crowded into the room until there was no standing space left. Many climbed up on top of the benches so that they could see the foreign ladies more easily. One man carried a pig in a bag, and this made its presence known just as the speaker stepped up on the platform. Rather faltering the evangelist, Mr. Tang, said to us, "Please sing; it may quiet them."

By this time we had started a school for boys, and had engaged a Chinese teacher, while I was to superintend the work and teach some of the classes. I taught singing, a thing the lads enjoyed immensely. Once when I came home from the singing class, Mr. Ronning came to me and said, "You had better stay away from the school for a while, for the Chinese teacher is complaining about you. He is used to paddling his own canoe, and does not care to have a woman help him." I stayed out of school for a while, but then the boys said that unless the American lady came back to teach, they would not attend school. Thus the Chinese teacher had to put up with me.

When Mr. S. Netland died in 1896 his place in the lower part of Fancheng was left vacant, so Dr. and Mrs. I. M. Hotvedt and I moved down there. I gathered women and girls for instruction and became very much attached to the place.

The school I started in 1896 with two girls kept on growing. In 1908 the orphan girls that a few years earlier had been sent to Tsi-Hoa were returned to Fancheng and formed part of my school. Grades were added to grades, so that in 1914 we were able to graduate the first class from higher primary or seventh grade. That same year we started high school. We had now joined the Central China Educational Association and were following the high standard curriculum and examinations of that association. In 1916 the Covenant Mission joined in our high school, a union which continued until the revolution in 1927 when the school was closed.

In the fall of 1927 I returned to Fancheng and found all the mission buildings occupied by soldiers. There was only one little place left at the upper station still occupied by our own people, namely Misses Wang and Wu, former Bible school teachers. In all the troubles with soldiers and radicals they had never wavered but had stuck to their rooms and had kept their Christian work going. Both of these teachers and the Chinese pastor, Rev. Li, had it very much upon their hearts to pray for the opening of the Bible school. This strengthened my own purpose very much. But the soldiers, how could we get them to move out of the buildings? One day the commanding general appeared at the gate of our upper station and said to the officer in charge, "What are you doing here? Have I not told you to move out?" The officer bowed most deeply, and with all his men left the place immediately. The following spring we were able to get the soldiers to move out of the Concordia high school buildings, which we then put in good repair as well as the missionary residence where I used to live. Then we moved the Bible school down to this place. Thus I am again living and working in the place where I have lived and worked for so many years. I praise God who has guided and sustained far better than I knew how to pray.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S LUTHER LEAGUE

Rev. A. M. VINGE, Editor — RYLEY, ALTA.

"Behold I stand at the door, and knock." Rev. 3:20.

Laodicea — lukewarmness. The Friend of Friends outside the door. The nail scarred hand knocking. The glorious promise to the one who by God's grace opens the door. That is the picture. It is the Holy Ghost that calls us by the Gospel. Without His gracious help we could neither "believe nor come."

God is calling today. He is calling through His Word. He is calling through world events. He is knocking at the doors of many hearts. Luther Leaguers let Him in!

He stood at my heart's door mid sunshine and rain,

And patiently waited an entrance to gain,

What shame that so long he entreated in vain

For He is so precious to me.

COMMENTS

Has your league sent in a "Youth for Christ" contribution yet? Let us do it before our District Convention. Eighty four dollars and sixty cents has come in thus far. Much of this is late 1939 contributions.

The Missionary—a magazine edited by Pastor Andrew Burgess makes a fine investment for the Luther League local. There are many fine missionary readings, and material for use in developing topics. Why not subscribe for your league?

Let us have your Bible Camp announcements soon.

Our Future Plans

Never in the history of our Youth Work in Canada has the calendar for the future been as filled as it is now. The year 1940 is to be an outstanding year.

For the first time in the history of our work we are to have a Youth Conference. This will be held in Regina July 11—14. Several youth leaders will participate. We rejoice that Pastor Oscar C. Hanson, our International Luther League President can contribute to the Youth Conference Program enroute to Hastings Lake Bible Camp, and the Canada District Y.P.L.L. Convention at Calgary. We are fortunate, too, in having Pastor G. O. Evenson, our District Vice President in Saskatchewan. He, together with a committee he has appointed, will prepare for our sessions at the Conference.

Then too, for the first time in the history of Young People's work in our District we are to have our District convention in Alberta. The Alberta circuits and leagues are now a part of the District League and it is only right and fitting that they should have the privilege of sponsoring and attending a District convention in the Province. We are certain of hospitable hosts in Pastor I. J. Saugen, his congregation and league. A fine program has been planned. Pastor Oscar C. Hanson, and Dr. Iver Iversen will be present. This convention is to be held July 18—21st. Medicine Hat Circuit is to be congratulated on its forward-looking program. Then belonging to the future too is the International Convention at Moose Jaw in 1941. This too will be a "first experience" for Canadian leaguers to attend such a convention on Canadian soil. We are aware of the fact that it is a big undertaking and that it will call for all the forethought that experience in the past has taught us in planning conventions. When we attend one of the larger conventions and see the harmony and correlation we do not always appreciate the tremendous amount of preparation that has been necessary. When we have the privilege of seeing the "inside" of such preparations we are often amazed. Therefore, we need to pray and plan. Pray that these "first experiences" of large scale youth work in our District may be led by the Spirit of God, so that blessings may accrue both in the preparation, the carrying out, and the after blessings of these plans. It is a glorious privilege for our Dis-

trict. It will require both courage and consecration. We look forward in joyful anticipation to a blessed realization of our "future plans."

—A. M. Vinge.

Elect Your Delegates

Begin to plan to attend the Convention at Calgary. A good program is being planned. A convention outing will be held on Saturday afternoon, and perhaps arrangements can be made for a visit to Banff on Monday following the closing of the convention.

For election of delegates be guided by Article VI, paragraph 1. "Each society affiliated with this League may elect one delegate for each ten members of fraction thereof to represent it at the conventions of this League."

Remember the dates — July 18—21st, Calgary, Alta.

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RALLY DAY

The Medicine Hat Circuit Luther League held a Rally Day at Nidaros Lutheran Church, Claresholm, Alta. on May 18—19. The theme was "How My Christian Life May Grow."

The Rally opened Saturday evening with the Claresholm welcoming the Leaguers with a very interestingly planned program, as a voyage on a sea. The talks and songs compared life to a ship sail on a restless sea. We need Christ at the helm to guide our ship safely to shore.

On Sunday morning we had our regular worship with communion service. Rev. E. O. Walker Medicine Hat brought us the sermon "Growing in Grace."

On Sunday afternoon the Armada and Enchant Leagues had the program. The speakers pointed out that to develop an intense Christian life, we must make use of the Bible and prayer. Only the life that is lived for Christ is worthwhile and will lead to the life victorious. The Mass Choir sang three songs. The last song, "Thee, God, We Praise, Thy Holy Name We Bless" seemed especially fitting to our Rally Day. A Rally Day offering was taken.

The Granum and Calgary Luther Leagues gave the evening program. The speakers, developing the topics on "evangelism and service" stressed that we all should be missionaries, to have Christ manifested in us we must have a life surrendered to Him. Rev. I. J. Saugen, Calgary, closed with a very challenging talk.

Our hearts echoes the words of one Leaguer who said, "Our Rally Day is over but it has been a blessing to have been here."

Alvine Nerland, Secr.

On May 25, 1940, the annual convention of the Womens Missionary Federation met at the Wang church on the congregations 40th anniversary. The meeting was very well attended by delegates and representatives from many Ladies Aids of the Lutheran Church in the Camrose Circuit.

Rev. K. O. Kandal of the local Congregation delivered the Sermonette, based on Hebrews 11th Chapter 8th verse and Faith in Action.

Musical numbers and short talks were contributed to the program by different Ladies Aids of the Circuit.

The following officers were elected: Hon. President Mrs. B. J. Stollie, Donald, Alta.; President: Mrs. Arnold Hovland Camrose, Alta.; Vice President: Mrs. Arthur Skaret, Armana, Alta.; Sec.-Tres. Mrs. N. E. Pearson, Wetaskiwin, Alta.; Mission Box Sec.: Mrs. Kviem, Millet, Alta.; Box Work: Mrs. K. O. Eggan, Bawlf, Alta.; Cradle Roll: Mrs. Hans Huseby, Holden, Alta.; Thank Offering: Mrs. E. Johnson, New Norway, Alta.; Historian: Mrs. Procter Paulson, Ponoka, Alta.; In Memoriam: Mrs. Lars Grue, Armana, Alta.; Directors: Mrs. Lenord Bergum, Bethany, Alta.; Mrs. J. Trondson, Bethlehem, Mrs. A. A. Kalleveg, Morrin; Mrs. Eli Olson, Rosebush; Mrs. Otto Lants, Zion.

May God bless our work in the Womens Missionary Federation.

Mrs. N. E. Pearson, Sec.